

2017 FINFISH BOARD OF FISHERIES MEETING - PROPOSAL SUMMARY
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PROPOSAL #	SPONSOR	REGULATION	ISSUE STMT.	PROPOSED SOLUTION// Note: bold words are changes being proposed to regulation
PROPOSAL 1	Denise M. Hawks	5 AAC 55.022(a)(8)	Reduce daily bag and possession limit for lingcod in PWS	AMEND (a)(8) ; Lingcod only taken 7/1-12/31; bag limit of 1 fish; possession limit of 2 fish; must be 35"+ in length.
PROPOSAL 2	Whittier F&G AC	5 AAC 55.022 (a)(8)	Reduce daily bag and possession limits for lingcod in a portion of PWS	AMEND (a)(8) ; Limit bag 1/ possession 2. Area exemption; S then E of 46* 0min. lat., 147* 0min. long. Bag 2 / possession 2
PROPOSAL 3	ADF&G	5 AAC 55.022 (9)(A)&(B)	Modify and align bag limits for rockfish in PWS area	AMEND (A)(B) ; (A) take from 1/1-12/31; 1 per day may be non-pelagic defined in 5 AAC 75.995. (B) Repeal
PROPOSAL 4	CDFU	5 AAC 28.265	Establish pelagic rockfish jig fishery w/ separate GHl outside PWS area	Establish pelagic rockfish fishery in the E and W areas outside of Area E w/ own GHl
PROPOSAL 5	ADF&G	5 AAC 28.210(c)(2)	Specify by catch of Lingcod in PWS area is measured as round weight	AMEND(c)(2) ; as by catch up to 20% by ROUND weight of directed finfish spc...
PROPOSAL 6	Robert A. Smith	5 AAC 28.267 (i)	Allow all vessels, fishing for halibut, to retain all pacific cod by catch	If pacific cod fishery is closed due to excessive halibut by catch allow retainment of all p. cod
PROPOSAL 7	ADF&G	5 AAC 28.230 (j) (k)	Clarify lawful gear requirements for PWS groundfish fisheries (GF)	ADD; (j) in a GF fishery for which <1 type of gear is legal, a person may have only 1 type on board. (k) mechanical jig/hand troll gear may be use together and either or both constitute jig gear...
PROPOSAL 8	ADF&G	5 AAC 28.206 (d)	Add specific registration requirements for PWS ground fisheries (GF)	ADD; (d) in PWS, prior to operating a vessel in directed fisheries... operator/authorized agent must obtain a fishery specific registration for that vessel.
PROPOSAL 9	ADF&G	5 AAC 28.272(f)	Clarify procedures for obtaining/completing/submitting log sheets for pws sablefish fisheries(SF)	AMEND (f); vessels participating in PWS SF shall obtain sablefish logs from the dept. vessel must have logs onboard at all times and submitted no later than 7 days after delivery. ADD (f)(1(a-d) -2)
PROPOSAL 10	Fairbanks F&G AC	5 AAC 24.360(a)	Set an optimal escapement goal (OEG) for Copper River sockeye	Set an OEG of 700,000-1.2 million for Copper River Sockeye matching late run Kenai sockeye OEG.
PROPOSAL 11	ADF&G	5 AAC 01.647 (i) (5)	Remove the requirement to open the Batzul Netas fishery by emergency order(EO)	AMEND (i)(5) to read; ... fishing periods are from 12:00 noon Friday through 12:00 noon Sunday from 6/1-6/30 and from 12:00 noon friday through 11:59pm Monday 7/1-9/1

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PROPOSAL 12	James Marchini	5 AAC 01.620(c)	Require fishwheel operator w/out live tanks to be present when fishing in Glennallen Subdistrict subsistence fishery (GSSF)	All fish wheels are to have live boxes so king salmon can be put back in the river to spawn. should there be no live box a fishwheel must be attended at all times during fishing periods.
PROPOSAL 13	Ahtna C&T use committee	5 AAC 01.620 (b)	Prohibit using a dip net from a boat to harvest salmon in the Glennallen subdistrict	ADD; (b)(5) It is unlawful to harvest salmon using a dip net from a boat in the Glennallen Subdistrict.
PROPOSAL 14	Wrangell-St. Elias NPS SRC	5 AAC 24.361 (e)	Modify season dates for GSSF based on preseason King salmon harvest projections	AMEND (e); in the GSSF, if the dept. preseason forecast of CR king salmon run estimates maximum harvest levels by all fisheries to be less than 10,000, then by EO a delay of 1 week to season start will occur, to be from 6/8-9/30.
PROPOSAL 15	Wrangell-St. Elias NPS SRC	5 AAC 01.620 (7) 5AAC 77.591	Prohibit the use of monofilament or gillnet mesh in dip nets	ADD (7) to 5 AAC 01.620; the use of dip nets made with monofilament or gill net mesh material is prohibited. ADD to 5 AAC 77.591; the use of monofilament or gillnet mesh material is prohibited.
PROPOSAL 16	CDFU	5 AAC 01.XXX and 5 AAC 77.XXX	Require logbooks for all charters operating in subsistence and personal use fisheries.	ADD new subsections to 5 AAC 01.XXX and 5AAC 77.XXX stating: All vessels for hire must keep a log book recording the numbers of customers, each species caught and methods used.
PROPOSAL 17	Chitina dipnetters assoc.	5 AAC 77.591(h)	Extend the lower boundary of the Chitina subdistrict downstream to the Uranatina river	AMEND(h) to read; ... to a N and S line beginning at the mouth of the Uranatina River and crossing the Copper River as designated by ADF&G regulatory markers.
PROPOSAL 18	Chitina DA & Fairbanks AC	5 AAC 77.591 (f)	Repeal the reduction to maximum harvest levels in Chitina subdistrict personal use fishery when the Copper River comm. fishery is closed 13 or more consecutive days.	REPEAL the clause from (f); If the copper river district salmon comm fishery is closed 13 or more consecutive days, the maximum harvest for chitina personal use is reduced to 50,000 salmon.
PROPOSAL 19	John Whissel, NVE	5 AAC 01.610(g)	Allow salmon to be taken for subsistence at any time between 5/1-11/30 in the Copper River district (CRD)	AMEND (g) to read; salmon may be taken in the districts described in 5 AAC 01.605 (b) from may 1-11/30 at any time, independent of any area closures imposed upon the Copper River Area E drift gillnet comm. salmon fishery.
PROPOSAL 20	Robert a. Smith	5 AAC 01.610(g)	Open all waters of CRD to subsistence fishing for salmon from 4/20-10/15	AMEND (g) to read; The subsistence harvest of salmon on the Copper River shall commence 4/20-10/15. All traditional waters of Copper River shall remain open for this fishery.
PROPOSAL 21	David Totemoff	5 AAC 01.620, 5AAC 01.630, 5 AAC 01.645	Close PWS area to subsistence herring fishery, limit gear 60 feet in length, and monitor the number of permits and area fished.	ADD clauses to all regulations; (1) Stop subsistence herring fishing for some years. (2) change length of gear to 60 ft. (3) monitor how many permits and area fished.
PROPOSAL 22	Ronald Jordan	5 AAC 77.5X , 5 AAC 77.570	Allow pacific herring to be taken for personal use in the PWS area	Allow for personal use harvest of herring using a 4ft dip net with herring mesh and or set/herring mesh drift net no longer than 25ft long and 10ft deep.

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PROPOSAL 23	Ahtna Tene Nene	5 AAC 52.022(a)(15)	Prohibit catch and release sport fishing in the Upper Copper River and Upper Susitna river drainages.	ADD CLAUSE (15) to subsection (a); In the Upper Copper River and Susitna River drainages, it is unlawful under sports fisheries to catch and release freshwater finfish.
PROPOSAL 24	ADF&G	5 AAC 52.023 (9)(D), 18 (A)&(B), 20 (A)&(B)	Amend sockeye salmon regulations in the Gulkana River Drainage	AMEND Sections (9)(D)(i)&(ii), 18(A)&(B), 20(A)&(B); (9)(d)(i) " sport fishing for SALMON is closed, SALMON may not be taken or possessed." (9)(D)(ii) Repeal. 18(A) REPEAL 18 (B) REPEAL. 20(A) REPEAL 20(B) REPEAL.
PROPOSAL 25	ADF&G	5 AAC 52.022 (a)(1)	Remove the unbaited, single-hook artificial lure restrictions in flowing waters of Upper Susitna River drainage	AMEND (a)(1) to read: "In flowing waters of the UPPER COPPER RIVER AND TYONE RIVER DRAINAGE, only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures may be used.
PROPOSAL 26	Charles Upicksoun	5 AAC 55.023	Allow bow fishing for pinks and coho salmon in the Valdez terminal harvest area	ADD A CLAUSE; "in salt water, open to snagging, the use of bow and arrow with line attached to arrow, may be used to take pink and silver salmon.
PROPOSAL 27	Lucas Borer	5 AAC 55.023(1)(a) & (8)(a)	Remove a closed water provision for clear creek.	AMEND (1)(a); repeal "...downstream of the Carbon Mountain Road Bridge..." .REPEAL (8)(a)
PROPOSAL 28	CDFU	5 AAC 24.361(b)	Repeal mandatory inside water commercial salmon fisheries closures in the Copper River King Salmon Management Plan.	REPEAL (b); Repeal mandatory inside closures for any statistical week from regulation.
PROPOSAL 29	Fairbanks F&G AC	5 AAC 24.350(1)(B)	Extend inside closure area 1/4 mile off of southern shores for all barrier islands in the Copper River commercial drift gillnet salmon fishery(CRCSF)	AMEND 5 AAC 24.350 (1)(B) by adjusting coordinates 1/4 mile off all southern shores of barrier islands along the inside closure area.
PROPOSAL 30	Warren Chapel	5 AAC 24.350(1)(b)	Repeal certain closed water provisions in the CRCF	REPEAL (1)(b)
PROPOSAL 31	Fairbanks F&G AC	5 AAC 24.331(a)	Reduce maximum depth of drift gillnets in the CCSF to 29 meshes through the statistical week 24.	ADD CLAUSE to subsection (a) by Limiting net depth to 29 meshes through week 24 (end of May)
PROPOSAL 32	Fairbanks F&G AC	5 AAC 24.361(b)	Prohibit commercial fishing in Copper River District (CRD) if preseason forecast is below 20 yr. avg. or 35,000 kings	ADD CLAUSE to subsection (b); Prohibit all commercial fishing if preseason forecast is below 20 yr. avg. or 35,000 Chinook have not been recorded.
PROPOSAL 33	Fairbanks F&G AC	5 AAC 24.361(b)	Prohibit sale of Commercially caught Chinook salmon in the CRD if restrictions on CSRF have been implemented.	ADD CLAUSE to Subsection (b); Prohibit the sale of King salmon in the Copper River district if there are any restrictions on the subsistence fisheries.
PROPOSAL 34	Fairbanks F&G AC	5 AAC 24.310 (a)	Prohibit commercial salmon fishing in the CRD until a salmon is recorded at the CR sonar station	ADD to subsection (a); "... the first commercial salmon opening of any year may only be announced after the department has verified by sonar that a single salmon has escaped into the river."
PROPOSAL 35	Robert a. Smith	5 AAC 24.310(a)	Open commercial fishing with drift gillnet in the CRD on the Monday or Thursday closest to May 1st	AMEND (a) to read; Commercial gillnet fishing shall be open on the Copper River on the Monday or Thursday closest to may 1st.

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PROPOSAL 36	Robert a. Smith	5 AAC 24.320(a)	Open CRD salmon fishery for a minimum of two 12-hour openers per week.	AMEND (a) to read; "from the commencement of the fishing season the Copper River shall be open for a minimum of two 12-hour openers per week."
PROPOSAL 37	Warren Chapel	5 AAC 24.350(2)(B)	Repeal commercial salmon fishery closed waters near Kayak Island. Allow commercial salmon fisheries drift gillnet near Kayak Island with same boundaries as in 1980	AMEND (2)(B) to read; " the Kayak Island fishery waters will be reinstated to the 1980 boundaries." strike section (2)(B) of 5 AAC 24.350
PROPOSAL 38	Rob Nelson	5 AAC 24.332(a)	Modify purse seine gear length in the PWS area	ADD to subsection (a); "the Aggregate of seine and lead may not be more than 225 fathoms in length."
PROPOSAL 39	Leroy L Cabana	5 AAC 24.332(a)	Allow permit stacking and increase the amount of purse seine gear that may be operated from a vessel with two limited entry purse seine permit holders on board in PWS area Comm. salmon fishery.	REPEAL from subsection (a); "leads deeper than the seine or exceeding 75 fathoms in length, or leads with a mesh size less than six and one quarter inches may not be used..."
PROPOSAL 40	Michael Bowen	5 AAC 24.335	Establish min. operation depth for drift gillnet gear fished within 90 fathoms of a set gillnet in the Crafton Island Subdistrict	ADD subsection (2); "the shoreward end of a drift gillnet may not be operated in water less than four fathoms at any tide within 90 fathoms of the shoreward end of a set gillnet."
PROPOSAL 41	Shawna Williams		Prohibit operation of commercial salmon drift gillnet gear within 60 fathoms of the shoreward of a set gillnet in the Crafton Island subdistrict.	AMEND to read; " ... except in the zone outside if the offshore OR SHORE END (AS LONG AS ALL OTHER REGULATIONS ARE ADHERED) of the set gillnet."
PROPOSAL 42	CDFU	5 AAC 24.367(c)(1)	Repeal maximum length for set gillnet gear in Main Bay. Prohibit operation of a drift gillnet within 20 fathoms of a set gillnet.	AMEND (c)(1) to read; "No portion of a drift gillnet may be operated with in 20 fathoms of a set gillnet.' Repeal the maximum length of a set gill net.
PROPOSAL 43	CDFU	5 AAC 24.367(c)	Clarify operations for a drift gillnet and set gillnet gear in the Main Bay Subdistrict	ADD (6) to subsection (c); " notwithstanding pre-existing regulations, a drift operation cannot be deemed illegal upon the deployment of a set net. The drift operation must have time to retrieve its gear and/or navigate to legal waters."
PROPOSAL 44	CDFU	5 AAC 24.331(b)(3)	Specify that operation of each set/drift gillnet must be performed or assisted by a commercial fisheries Commission permit holder in the PWS area comm. salmon fishery.	AMEND (b)(3) to specify; "....operation of each SET OR DRIFT gillnet ..."
PROPOSAL 45	CDFU	5 AAC 24.331(b)(1)(E)	Limit each commercial fisheries entry commission's permit holder to no more than four set gillnet sites deployed with lines and buoys in PWS area comm. set gillnet fishery.	ADD (E); " no set gillnet holder shall have more than four set net sites deployed within lines and buoys during an announced opener."
PROPOSAL 46	David Fleming	5 AAC24.200(1)	Change boundary description in Main Bay Subdistrict	AMEND coordinates in (1) to read; "... from 60_33.36'N. lat., 148_02.35'W.long. to 60_32.81, N. lat., 148_2.118'W. long."
PROPOSAL 47	Michael Bowen	5 AAC 24.370 (j)	Include the value of all enhanced salmon produced in the PWS area in the management and enhancement plan.	Repeal (j)

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PROPOSAL 48	Leroy L. Cabana	5 AAC 24.370(2)(A)	Allow comm. fishing for salmon in the Armin F. Koernig hatchery terminal and Special Harvest Areas prior to July 18th	AMEND (2)(A) to read; "the district is closed EXCEPT IN THE AFK THA AND SHA to salmon fishing before July 18th."
PROPOSAL 49	Michael Bowen	5 AAC 24.370(e)(2)(A&B)	Reduce harvest of sockeye salmon in the directed chum salmon fishery prior to July 18th in Armin F. Koernig hatchery terminal and Special Harvest areas.	Addresses subsections (A) &(B) with management plan options.
PROPOSAL 50	ADF&G	5 AAC 24.301	Define Copper River and Bering River seaward boundaries with geographic coordinates.	AMEND to read; "... is a line FROM 60_01.16' N. LAT., 144_00.00' W. LONG, TO 59_57.98' N. LAT, 144_00.00' W. LONG., TO 59_44.29' N. LAT., 144_36.12' W. LONG., TO 60_17.13' N. ;AT., 146_15.02' W. LONG. TO HOOK POINT AT 60_20.11' N. LAT., 146_15.02' W. LONG."
PROPOSAL 51	ADF&G	5 AAC 24.200(a)-(k)	Amend district and subdistrict boundaries to match ADF&G statistical area boundaries within the PWS management are	AMEND subsections (a), (b), (c), (c)(1) , (d), (d)(1&2), (f), (f)(1,2&3), (g), (g)(2&3), (i), (i)(1), (j), (j)(1), (k) to read with proposed new geographic descriptions with coordinates.
PROPOSAL 52	ADF&G	5 AAC 24.100	Amend PWS area description to specify lines of longitude for the eastern and western boundaries	AMEND to read; " between 148_50.25 W. LONG. AT Cape Fairfield and 144_ W. LONG. NEAR cape suckling."